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June 5, 2008

Mr. Bruce Hill, President & CEO UtahAmerian Energy, Inc. 6750 North Airport Road P.O. Box 902 Price, UT 84501

Subject:

UPDES Inspection - Crandall Canyon Mine (UT0024368).

Dear Mr. Hill:

On June 4, 2008 I conducted a reconnaissance inspection, while already in the area, at the Crandall Canyon Mine facility in regards to the UPDES Permit referenced above. Specifically, I observed the sediment pond, outfall locations, mine water discharge and receiving waters. There were no deficiencies noted and no response is required at this time.

Enclosed is a copy of the inspection report for your records. If you have any questions, please contact me at (801) 538-6779 or by e-mail at jstudenka@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeff Studenka, Environmental Scientist

UPDES IES Section

Enclosures

cc (w/encl):

Jennifer Meints, EPA Region VIII

Claron Bjork, SE District Health Department

Dave Ariotti, SE District Engineer

Daron Haddock, Division of Oil Gas & Mines

Dave Shaver, UEI West Ridge Mine

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United States Environmental Protection Agency Washington, D.C. 20460

Water Compliance Inspection Report

Section A: National Data System Coding (i.e., ICIS)			
Transaction Code N	yr/mo/day 0 8 0 5 0 4	Inspection Typ	oe Inspector Fac. Type S 19 20
Remarks 21 66			
Inspection Work Days Facility Self-Monitoring Evaluation Rating 2 67 69 Facility Self-Monitoring Evaluation Rating	BI QA N 71 72	73 74	Reserved
Section B: Facility Data			
Name and Location of Facility Inspected (For industrial users discharging to and NPDES permit number) Crandall Canyon Mine (a.k.a. Genwal Resources, Inc.)	POTW, also include POTW name	Entry Time/ Date 2:30 pm/6-4-2008	Permit Effective Date 12-1-2005
UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. ~1.5 miles up Crandall Canyon off Hwy. 31 in Huntington Canyon NW of Huntington, UT		Exit Time/ Date 2:45 pm/6-4-2008	Permit Expiration Date
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)/Title(s)/Phone and Fax Number(s)		Other Facility Data (e.g	,, SIC NAICS, and other
N/A		descriptive information,	
Name, Address of Responsible Official/Title/Phone and Fax Number Bruce Hill, President UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. P.O. Box 1077 Price, UT 84501 (435) 888-4008	Contacted Yes No		
Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection (Check only those areas evaluated)			
Permit Self Monitoring Program Pretreatment MS4 Records/Reports Compliance Schedule Pollution Prevention Facility Site Review Laboratory Storm Water Effluent/Receiving Waters Operations & Maintenance Combined Sewer Overflow Flow Measurement Sludge Handling/Disposal Sanitary Sewer Overflow			
Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments			
(Attach additional sheets of narrative and checklists, including Single Event Violation codes, as necessary) SEV Codes SEV Description Line Line Line Line Line Line Line Line			
Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s)	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Numb	ber(s)	Date:
JEFF STUDENKA, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST	DWQ (801) 538-6779		6-5-08
Name and Signature of Management Q A Reviewer	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Num	ber(s)	Date:
MIKE HERKIMER, MANAGER UPDES IES SECTION While Kenkener	DWQ (801) 538-6058		6/5/08

INSPECTION PROTOCOL

UPDES Permit #:

UT0024368

Inspection Type:

Reconnaissance Inspection

Inspection Date:

June 4, 2008

Weather Conditions: Cloudy, cold, freezing rain and some snow.

Jeff Studenka of the Division of Water Quality (DWQ) visited the UtahAmerian Energy, Inc., Crandall Canyon Mine Facility (a.k.a. Genwal Resources, Inc.). The purpose for the site visit was to perform a reconnaissance inspection while already in the area.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Location:

Within Manti-LaSal National Forest, approximately 1.5 miles up Crandall

Canyon, off Hwy. 31 in Huntington Canyon, near Huntington, Utah

Coordinates: Outfall 001 – 39° 27' 38" latitude, -111° 09' 38" longitude

Outfall 002 – 39° 27' 38" latitude, -111° 09' 59" longitude

Average Flow: 0.75 MGD (Outfall 002)

Receiving water: Crandall Creek to Huntington Creek

Process: Former underground coal mining operation. Water from the mine is conveyed to below ground settling areas, where it is then piped out of the mine and discharged to the Crandall Creek culvert (Outfall 002). Surface water is conveyed to an above ground settling pond with a discharge point (Outfall 001) to Crandall Creek. At the time of the inspection, the sedimentation pond contained a considerable amount of water, but was well below discharge levels.

INSPECTION SUMMARY

There were no deficiencies noted during the last inspection for follow up. This inspection was limited to outside the mine where the water collection and distribution systems are exposed. The outfall locations were observed as well as the receiving waters of Crandall Creek, which was flowing clear and steady at the time of the inspection. At the time of the inspection, minor surface work was evident at the north end of the disturbed area adjacent to Crandall Creek, where a memorial for the fallen miners is being constructed. There were no deficiencies observed that require follow up at this time.

DEFICIENCIES

No deficiencies with respect to the UPDES permit were noted during the inspection.

REQUIREMENTS

None.